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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

Hongkong, 19th September, 1887.

should also be allowed to touch for the purpose of loading or shipping passengers and goods into or from native boats at Shao-king-foo and Ta-shing.

Here follows a discussion of the navigability of the river, the conclusion being that at all times of great floods during 12 years it could ascend to Wo-chow-foo, the vessel of greater dimensions the summer, and that small steamers could reach Nan-ning-foo.

I think it possible that it will come when Nan-ning-foo will be reached by steamer, though perhaps in summer only, and if the opening of the West River should ever again be taken into serious consideration by the Authorities at Peking, Nan-ning-foo would be opened to a similar extent to that which Ching-kiang was placed by the Chocho Convention of the 13th September 1874.

I must mention, however, that I myself have not been as far as Nan-ning-foo, but while on my way to Ping-nan-hien I only noticed a very few trading junks. From the information I received from Chinese men I am inclined to think that, for the present, there is no need to open up Canton and Nan-ning-foo via Wo-chow-foo; for this reason alone it would be preferable to watch the development of the latter port before taking into consideration that of Nan-ning-foo. For practical purposes it would for the present be advisable to open only Wo-chow-foo as a treaty port, and to prove that this is desirable from the merchant's point of view.

Advertisers and Subscribers which are not addressed for a fixed period will be continued until otherwise notified.

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TELEPHONE NO. 13.

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, SEPTEMBER 20TH, 1887.

A PORT OF PERSONAL INTEREST IN HONGKONG IS THE POSSIBILITY OF TRADE ON THE WEST RIVER, THE NAVIGABILITY OF THAT GREAT WATER-COURSE, AND THE PROSPECTS OF ITS BEING OPENED TO STEAMER TRAFFIC. THE SUBJECT IS ONE WHICH HAS BEEN WIDELY DISCUSSED, BUT WITH REGARD TO THE ACTUAL TRADE OF THE RIVER AND THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH IT IS CARRIED ON THERE HAS BEEN A GREAT LACK OF PRECISE INFORMATION.

A VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO THE LITERATURE ON THE SUBJECT HAS JUST BEEN MADE BY MR. H. SCHROEDER, OF CANTON, WHO IS SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER LAST MADE A JOURNEY UP THE RIVER. HIS ACCOUNT OF THE JOURNEY IS PUBLISHED BY MESSRS. KELLY & WATSON, UNDER THE TITLE OF "BERICHÜT EINE REISE NACH KWANG-SI." MR. SCHROEDER WENT UP TO THE TA-LOU CAISSA DISTRICT, AND GIVES MUCH INTERESTING INFORMATION RESPECTING THE TRADE IN THAT IMPORTANT ARTICLE.

HE ALSO MADE A DETOUR FROM THE MAIN STREAM TO EXPLORE THE SANG-KIANG TRIBUTARY. THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF HIS WORK, HOWEVER, IS GIVEN AS AN APPENDIX, AND HAS BEEN TRANSLATED INTO ENGLISH UNDER THE TITLE OF "THE TRADE OF THE PROVINCE OF KWANG-SI AND OF THE CITY OF WOOCHOW-FOO, A TREATY-PORT OF THE FUTURE." BELOW WE GIVE SOME EXTRACTS FROM THIS. THE OPENING PARAGRAPHS ARE DEVOTED TO AN EXAMINATION OF THE TAXATION OF FOREIGN TRADE IN THE CANTON DELTA, WHICH HAS OF LATE YEARS BEEN EXTREMELY LIGHT, Owing TO THE EFFORTS OF THE NATIVE CUSTOMS TO KEEP THE TRADE FOR THE JUNKS, INSTEAD OF ALLOWING IT TO BE DIVERTED TO THE CANTON STEAMERS, AND SO AS TO PASS THROUGH THE FOREIGN CUSTOMS. NOW THAT THE STATIONS OUTSIDE HONGKONG AND MACAO HAVE BEEN PLACED UNDER THE FOREIGN CUSTOMS, THIS COMPETITION BETWEEN THE TWO BRANCHES OF THE SERVICE WILL NATURALLY DISAPPEAR. WE WILL NOW LET MR. SCHROEDER SPEAK FOR HIMSELF:

BUT WHILE I CANNOT DEDUCE, INDEED I SPECIALLY DRAW ATTENTION TO THE FACT, THAT THERE ARE FEW EUROPEAN COUNTRIES WHERE SUCH HIGH TAXES ARE IMPOSED ON IMPORTS FROM ABROAD AS IN OUR CANTON DELTA, WHERE THEREFORE THEY HAVE BEEN APPLIED, IT IS NOT AT ALL UNCOMMON TO FIND AN ADVICE IN THE COURTS OF THE FIRST STATE OF THIS OR OF OTHER VINCOS. FOR AS LIKELY AS THE COUNTER HAS, IT HAS BEEN UNJUSTLY DEALT WITH AS REGARDS THE DISPUTES LYING BEYOND THAT OWN.

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## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

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## NOTICE.

**C**ONSIGNEES of Goods from London Ex S.S. "MANCHESTER" Antwerp Ex S.S. "ROMANUL" and Harro Ex S.S. "MANCHE" in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Opium, &c., will be forwarded on unless instruction is received from the Consignees before Noon, TOMORROW (FRIDAY), requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining undelivered after FRIDAY, the 23rd inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges at One Cent per package per day.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 24th inst. (SATURDAY), or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1887.

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## INSURANCES.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE  
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS  
MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST.  
A.D. 1720.

**T**HE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Policies issued at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China, and Australia.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.

LIFE DEPARTMENT.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £3,000, at reduced rates.

HOLIDAY, WISE & CO.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1887. [13]

NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

NETTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1887. [16]

D 11 EX N 11 FIRE OFFICE

The Undersigned have prepared to GRANT POLICIES OF INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.

Agents for Phoenix Fire Office.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [18]

N 9 H GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY AT HAMBURG.

I HE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT IN-  
SURANCES to the extent of \$65,000, on first-class risks at current rates.

MELCHERS & CO.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1887. [12]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

I HE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to INSURE against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & CO.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1887. [16]

EMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE to the extent of \$60,000 on any one

FIRST-CLASS RISK

at Current Rates.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Imperial Fire Insurance Company.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1887. [18]

THE NETHERLANDS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

"CARISBROOKE"

R. CAS, Commander will be despatched for above TO-MORROW, the 21st instant, at Four P.M.

Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

W. R. LOXLEY & CO.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1887. [16]

CALEDONIAN FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1805.

The Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to issue Policies of Insurance against FIRE on the usual terms.

ATENHOLD KARBERG & CO.

Hongkong, January, 1887. [16]

GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE AND LIFE at Current Rates.

FUSTAU & CO.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1887. [18]

THE LATEST ADVANCE IN LIFE INSURANCE.

THE NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY'S 5 YEAR DIVIDEND POLICY

THIS Policy secures the insured the option of terminating his Insurance at the end of any 5 Year period, and receiving for his Policy a cash surrender value together with his share of accumulated surplus apportioned as a dividend. If death occurs, the full amount of the Policy will be paid immediately on proof of death, together with a Mortality Dividend of 50 per Cent. of all premiums received during the 5 Year period in which death may happen.

Prospects and full particulars may be had on application to—

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Acting Agents.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1887. [16]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL

THE Company's Steamship

"STURA"

Captain Demarchi, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 22nd instant, at Noon.

At present the Steamers are discharging in Hongkong.

For further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & CO.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1887. [1]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Company's Steamship

"LEESANG."

Captain Sawyer, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 24th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GEO. R. STEVENS & CO.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1887. [174]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Company's Steamship

"GEELONG."

will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 24th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIPE, Agents.

Hongkong, 17th September, 1887. [175]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Company's Steamship

"ORESTES."

Captain Hutchison, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 24th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1887. [176]

THE SALT ATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SIEMSSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1887. [14]

WING TAI & CO.

SHIP'S COMPRADORES, STEVEDORES, AND COAL MERCHANTS.

PROVISIONS SUPPLIED AT THE SHORTEST NOTICE.

NO. 25, PRAYA CENTRAL.

谷船販賣公司奉茶

Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1887. [14]

W. WARING, CO.,

COAL MERCHANTS,

have always on hand

LARGE STOCKS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION OF COAL.

Address—Care of Messrs. KWONG SUNG & CO., NO. 68, PRAYA.

代理人

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong.

Hongkong, January, 1887. [21]

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. TENENT, Glasgow, and Messrs. DAVID COUSAS & Sons, Arbroath.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.

Hongkong, January, 1887. [21]

NOTICE.

Consignees of Goods from London Ex S.S. "MANCHESTER" Antwerp Ex S.S. "ROMANUL" and Harro Ex S.S. "MANCHE" in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Opium, &c., will be forwarded on unless instruction is received from the Consignees before Noon, TOMORROW (FRIDAY), requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining undelivered after FRIDAY, the 23rd inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges at One Cent per package per day.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 24th inst. (SATURDAY), or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1887.

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## INSURANCES.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE  
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS  
MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST.  
A.D. 1720.

**T**HE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Policies issued at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China, and Australia.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £3,000, at reduced rates.

HOLIDAY, WISE & CO.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1887. [13]

NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

NETTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1887. [16]

D 11 EX N 11 FIRE OFFICE

The Undersigned have prepared to GRANT POLICIES OF INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.

Agents for Phoenix Fire Office.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [18]

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Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [18]